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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

W. H. EASTMAN

Clerk

GEO. A. CHANDLER

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

H. W. BONNEY V. C. KEENE H. C. THOMAS

Treasurer

CARL M. STEPHENS

Collector and Constable

W. E. LOTHROP

Treas. of Min. and Min. Fund

CARL M. STEPHENS

Fire Warden

H. W. BONNEY

Road Commissioners

A. F. DAVENPORT JOHN F. RIDDING

Superintendent of Schools

ELMER C. VINING

Sealer of Weights and Measures

H. W. BONNEY

Superintending School Committee

ROGER EASTMAN NELLIE BARRETT
H. C. THOMAS

Health Officers

L. E. NEWELL W. H. EASTMAN

Truant Officer

E. E. COLE

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real estate, resident	\$191,845 00
Real estate, non-resident	90,075 00
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Total real estate	\$281,920 00
Personal estate, resident	\$80,360 00
Personal estate, non resident	11,400 00
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Total personal estate	\$91,760 00
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Total valuation	\$373,680 00
Total value of land	\$180,165 00
Total value of buildings	101,755 00

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

State aid highway	\$533 00
Breaking snow	3,000 00
Support of schools	2,700 00
Support of poor	400 00
Repairs of school houses	700 00
Text books	100 00
Tuition of high school pupils	700 00
Repairs of roads and bridges	3,500 00
Town charges	1,000 00
Maintenance state aid road	500 00
Salary, Supt. of Schools	250 00
Memorial Services	50 00
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Total, town appropriations	\$13,433 00
State tax	2,779 17
County tax	781 47
Overlay	774 64
Supplementary tax	81 90
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Total, tax committed to collector	\$17,850 18

No. of polls taxed, 193
 No. of polls not taxed, 10
 Amount of each poll tax, \$3.00
 Rate of taxation, .046

REPORT TO STATE ASSESSORS TAXABLE LIVE STOCK

No. Horses	259	value	\$21,925 00
Colts 3 to 4	2	value	200 00
Colts 2 to 3	6	value	510 00
Colts under 2	6	value	205 00
Cows	503	value	18,950 00
Oxen	24	value	1,885 00
3 years old	94	value	3,365 00
2 years old	116	value	3,040 00
Total			\$50,080 00

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade	\$10,800 00
Logs	1,050 00
Lumber	4,250 00
Wood	800 00
Automobiles, 93	16,675 00
Musical instruments, 18	2,375 00
Machinery	5,730 00
Total taxable personal property	\$41,680 00
	\$91,760 00

REAL ESTATE EXEMPT

Resident, soldiers' estate	\$3,790 00
Non resident, soldiers' estate	325 00
Soldiers' widows' estate	700 00
Total, exempt real estate	\$4,815 00

PERSONAL ESTATE EXEMPT

Soldiers' Live Stock			\$ 420 00
No. 1 year old	136	value	2,265 00
Sheep	69	value	574 00
Swine	99	value	1,450 00
Total exempt personal property			\$4,709 00
Total valuation exempt			\$9,524 00

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

Snows Bills—E. S. Benson, Commissioner

Guy Barrows	\$10 80
James Packard	32 67
T. W. Bonney	17 93
J. H. Bonney	24 64
Richard Damon	10 00
W. E. Tucker	61 05
Archie Tucker	33 00
J. H. Crawford	2 00
E. S. Barrett	56 25
C. K. Bonney	9 00
A. M. Garey	21 12
W. P. Cutting	53 33
L. H. Poland	32 97
E. S. Benson	92 33
P. A. Tucker	3 04
A. S. Cushman	17 00
J. W. Andrews	29 86
J. C. Morrill	6 33
Max Bonney	9 00
Chas. Stevens	12 67
Carl H. Stevens	28 67
E. G. Garey	43 25
Corry Bonney	56 75
A. M. Fogg	12 00
Arthur Bucknam	21 00

A. C. Hadley	131 50
C. N. Bell	22 00
R. L. Charles	9 00
W. M. Chandler	44 70
Ekki Pulknim	16 17
Bartlett Bros	68 31
Howard Parlin	27 66
Matti Heikkinen	12 30
W. L. Bryant	5 33
Wallace Dyer	15 16
W. L. Dyer	14 00
Geo. E. Redding	87 05
Vernon Redding	2 00
Clifford Abbott	2 00
H. F. Tibbitts	82 00
M. C. Barrows	43 00
Horace Cobb	9 66
James B. Cobb	21 32
R. R. Palmer	20 00
E. E. Newell	21 52
Theodore Bradeen	11 92
Raymond Bradeen	12 92
Geo. D. Noyes & Son	58 67
C. R. Hazelton	42 90
H. B. Crockett	106 33
W. A. Bonney	20 35
I. W. Doten	24 67
L. J. Farrar	81 66
Olpha Varney	2 73
Arlan Farrar	2 73
Ned Gleason	3 00
S. D. Leslie	18 00
G. B. Heath	21 66
W. M. Urquhart	6 66
H. C. Billings	16 00
H. E. Pulsifer	57 00
J. P. Robinson	59 00

W. L. Hazelton	28 33
W. A. Crockett	39 86
C. F. Ring	22 66
V. G. Barrett	7 00
S. G. Barrett	24 09
Arthur Cox	27 50
Clayton Lothrop	32 00
W. E. Lothrop	27 50
A. R. Morrill	35 70
G. H. Heath	34 34
C. S. Barrows	51 75
E. C. Allen	22 44
W. W. Andrews	16 33
H. G. Chesley	32 65
G. H. Bradeen	51 50
E. S. Barrett	14 35
J. L. Suckles	3 00
Kallie Kikbouen	8 16
Dennis Parlin	59 79
Paul Bonney	7 66
E. S. Tuell	19 00
C. E. Hadley	5 60
A. F. Davenport	56 00
Geo. F. Dyer	27 83
A. G. Farrar	33 50
E. S. Benson	60 39
J. G. Gammon	40 00
Emery Ryerson	30 33
R. N. Stetson	38 50
Ernest Farrar	9 00
E. E. Roberts	40 00
W. H. Bonney	8 33
H. L. Bisbee	39 42
A. E. Damon	24 70
K. W. Spaulding	8 33
Jack Immonen	51 00
John Thurlow	34 83

Roy Briggs	26 35
Elwin DeCoster	6 67
Horace Farrar	12 00

\$3,015 93

Snow Bills—A. F. Davenport, Commissioner

E. E. Newell	\$6 93
Geo. Robinson	11 32
C. F. Ring	7 26
S. G. Barrett & Son	18 63
E. S. Barrett	5 77
W. A. Crockett	15 84
P. L. Charles	7 00
G. H. Bradeen	14 50
Archie Tucker	10 50
A. F. Davenport	12 00
T. W. Bonney	2 00
L. H. Poland	8 00
A. M. Fogg	3 00
W. H. Bonney	3 00
R. R. Palmer	16 50
Max Bonney	4 00
Asa Robinson	8 25

\$154 50

Snow Bills—J. F. Redding, Commissioner

H. T. Heath	\$13 00
A. C. Hadley	36 00
Elden Garey	6 75
W. A. Bonney	8 67
Clayton Lothrop	16 67
W. E. Lothrop	12 00
August Viitala	8 25
John Gerish	11 00
A. M. Garey	12 00

Geo. F. Dyer	2 00
C. R. Hazelton	9 00
Redding Bros.	18 50
E. E. Cole	1 50
C. W. Starbird	69 30
G. B. Heath	8 25
G. D. Noyes & Son	6 93
G. D. Noyes	11 77
Antti Heikinen	26 10
C. E. Hadley	5 00
W. M. Chandler	8 00
R. N. Stetson	6 50
Henry McKeene	12 15
D. E. Jack	39 76
Horace Farrar	4 00

\$353 10

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE ACCOUNT

A. F. Davenport, Commissioner

Geo. Goss	\$ 4 00
H. T. Heath	3 00
P. L. Charles	18 00
S. G. Barrett & Son	57 00
L. A. Lafoy	3 00
Olpha Varney	6 00
R. F. Smith	3 00
L. H. Poland	17 50
W. A. Crockett	3 00
Max Bonney	9 00
C. M. Abbott	36 00
Clifford Abbott	26 00
A. F. Davenport	127 75
Geo. Goss	1 50
W. A. Bonney	3 00
Carl Bonney	19 50
J. L. Suckles	18 00

H. F. Varney	3 50
L. H. Poland	3 50
L. H. Bisbee	1 50
C. G. Turner	6 00
W. W. Bonney	3 00
H. W. Bonney	2 00
A. F. Davenport	15 00
H. M. Turner	6 00
E. E. Roberts	5 00
C. F. Ring	14 00

\$1,315 26

50-50 HIGHWAY

A. F. Davenport	\$40 00
Clifford Abbott	4 00
C. A. Bonney	28 00
C. M. Abbott	28 00

\$100 00

CUTTING BUSHES

Clyde Morrill	\$27 00
A. G. Cox	13 50
Harold Tucker	3 00
Clyde Morrill	33 00

\$76 50

MATERIALS

Ella Chandler, plank	\$202 59
No. East Metal Culvert Co., culvert	28 22
P. V. Redding, spikes	2 36
H. G. Chesley, stringers	3 00
J. H. Morrill, gravel	1 00
Ella Chandler, plank	15 19
H. W. Bonney, gravel	3 00
James Boyle, supplies	72
J. B. Ham Co., supplies	23 63

\$279 71

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE ACCT., 1922

O. E. Turner	\$3 15
W. P. Cutting	6 00
H. L. Bisbee	1 50
E. E. Cole	5 00
Lovell Chandler	3 00

\$18 65

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE ACCT.

J. F. Redding, Commissioner

Wallace Hazelton	\$ 7 50
H. T. Heath	48 00
H. E. Rowe	36 00
Raymond Rowe	35 00
J. F. Redding	32 00
Guy Heath	34 50
J. F. Redding	91 00
C. A. Barrows	75 00
Ernest Jordan	60 00
Clayton Lothrop	37 50
W. W. Andrews	6 00
Vernon Redding	20 00
John Andrews	58 00
S. E. Cooledge	85 00
Guy Heath	12 00
J. F. Redding	96 00
H. E. Rowe	40 50
Raymond Rowe	20 00
Alvin Garey	13 50
Clayton Lothrop	28 50
Arthur Newell	11 00
Alton Hadley	48 00
A. R. Morrill	33 00
Chas. Barrows	6 00
Chas. Barrows	57 00
John Andrews	20 00
Odell Heath	5 50

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H. T. Heath	24 00
T. S. Gesner	11 80
Ernest Jordan	45 00
W. W. Andrews	3 00
Raymond Rowe	11 00
Dell Rowe	12 00
Emery Ryerson	21 00
C. M. Abbott	21 00
S. E. Cooledge	12 00
S. E. Cooledge	31 00
John Andrews	13 50
A. M. Garey	7 50
Alton Hadley	6 00
Arthur Newell	4 50
J. W. Andrews	3 00
Emery Ryerson	3 00
Ernest Jordan	27 00
G. H. Bessey	34 22
C. R. Hazelton	41 87
Henry Billings	6 00
A. S. Cushman	1 50
J. F. Redding	24 00
Roy Briggs	3 68
Chas. Hadley	13 00
W. E. Lothrop	9 00
Roy Briggs	6 00
Otis Curtis	3 00
Virgil Rowe	3 00
Odell Heath	7 00
H. T. Heath	7 00
W. P. Cutting	1 33
Ernest Jordan	9 00
John Thurlow	3 00
Arlan Farrar	3 00
S. E. Cooledge	14 00
J. F. Redding	16 00

Total for labor

\$1,478 40

CUTTING BRUSHES

Clayton Lothrop	\$27 00
Arthur Cox	6 00
C. E. Irish	6 50
A. S. Cushman	9 00
Ernest Jordan	16 50
Dell Rowe	12 00
J. F. Redding	36 00
Geo. D. Noyes	8 58

Total	\$121 58
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MATERIALS

E. E. Cole, stringers	\$ 1 00
E. G. Doble, stone	4 00
E. S. Tuell, stone	1 00
P. V. Redding	11 80
R. N. Stetson, stringers	4 00
Ella Chandler, plank	164 57
Chas. Barrows, gravel	3 00
J. B. Ham Co., iron, dyn., fuse, caps	12 48
C. M. Bucknam, stringers	4 00
Redding Bros., plank	10 78
J. B. Ham Co., supplies	8 19

Total	\$224 82
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STATE AID HIGHWAY

J. F. Redding, Foreman.

J. F. Redding	\$ 60 72
A. M. Garey	23 00
Ernest Jordan	23 00
Virgil Barrett	53 36
Virgil Rowe	6 00
Arlan Farrar	20 00
S. G. Barrett	20 00
Arthur Newell	11 00
C. M. Bucknam	9 00

Geo. E. Redding	23 82
S. E. Cooledge	20 88
J. F. Redding	47 52
A. M. Garcy	3 00
Ernest Jordan	27 00
Virgil Barrett	62 64
S. E. Cooledge	34 80
Virgil Rowe	6 00
Arlan Farrar	25 50
S. G. Barrett	24 00
Arthur Newell	3 00
Arthur Farrar	9 00
H. T. Heath	34 80
Geo. Heath	34 80
E. A. Ryerson	34 80
E. S. Barrett	34 80
A. R. Morrill	28 84
Leon Packard	15 00
Ernest Jordan	23 00
O. E. Turner	2 40
J. F. Redding	43 64
S. G. Barrett	15 00
Virgil Barrett	57 68
Geo. Heath	47 50
Arthur Newell	15 00
Virgil Rowe	21 00
C. M. Abbott	69 60
H. T. Heath	23 20
S. E. Cooledge	23 20
A. R. Morrill	20 88
A. F. Davenport	13 92
H. W. Bonney	11 00
W. L. Dyer	2 50
L. H. Bisbee	12 00
E. S. Barrett	20 88

Total, labor

\$1,142 64

MATERIALS

P. V. Redding, supplies	\$ 3 95
Ella Chandler, lumber	10 95
D. H. Robbins, lumber	22 80
No. East Metal Culvert Co., culvert	28 22
J. B. Ham Co., cement and supplies	142 60
E. W. Helms, cement	19 00
J. B. Ham Co, pipe fittings	12 00
Ella Chandler, lumber	5 00
S. N. Stetson, cedar posts	1 50
P. V. Redding, spikes and pick	2 22
M. R. Fogg, railing	6 00
S. G. Barrett, repairs for plow	7 00

 Total, material

\$261 24

THIRD CLASS HIGHWAY

A. F. Davenport, Foreman

P. L. Charles	\$36 00
O. L. Newell	58 50
J. H. Heald	64 50
H. L. Cobb	45 00
Clyde Morrill	30 00
C. L. Lothrop	48 00
Merlin Morrill	42 00
C. M. Abbott	56 00
E. E. Newell	21 00
G. B. Heath	30 00
L. H. Poland	63 00
A. F. Davenport	120 00
Harold Turner	210 00
C. A. Bonney	203 00
T. S. Gesner	5 75
E. L. Farrar	3 00
G. H. Heath	3 00
T. W. Bonney	2 00

Arthur Farrar	17 00
H. T. Heath	6 96
C. A. Bonney	7 00
O. L. Newell	1 98
Geo. Heath	48 00

Total, labor \$1,097 73

MATERIALS

No. East Metal Culvert Co., culvert	\$28 23
J. B. Ham Co., dyn., fuse and caps	28 20
L. E. Robinson, rocks	5 00
C. A. Bonney, gravel	62 00
A. T. Davenport, lumber	7 00

Total, material \$130 43

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Acct. of Flora Dunn

Mrs. W. W. Andrews, bd. and care	\$175 00
Clothing	2 00
F. W. Morse, medical attendance	10 00
I. W. Andrews & Son, funeral exp.	79 00
Rev. M. Aldrich, funeral service	10 00
W. W. Andrews, open'g and clos'g grave	6 00

\$282 00

Acct. of L. Robinson of Rangeley

Town of Rangeley, undertakers' bill	\$31 00
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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

BREAKING SNOW ACCT.

Total paid for snow, 1923	\$3,523 53
Overdrawn, 1922	454 40

Total for snow \$3,977 93
 Appropriated 3,000 00

Total overdrawn \$977 93

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE ACCT.

Appropriated	\$3,500 00	
Bal. from 1922	78 50	
Granted by State	50 00	
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Total Fund		\$3,628 50
Paid for labor	\$3,091 74	
Paid for materials	504 53	
Paid on 1922 acct.	18 65	
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Total cost		\$3,614 92
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Balance unexpended		\$13 58

STATE AID ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriated	\$533 00	
Corrected Bal. from 1922	187 48	
Granted by State	708 89	
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Total fund		\$1,429 37
Paid for labor and material	\$1,403 88	
Paid for state inspection	23 27	
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Total cost		\$1,427 15
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Balance unexpended		\$2 22

THIRD CLASS ROAD ACCOUNT

Granted by State		\$1,254 91
Paid for labor and material	\$1,228 16	
Paid for state inspection	2 11	
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Total cost		\$1,230 27
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Balance unexpended		\$24 64

SUPPORT OF POOR ACCOUNT

Appropriated	\$400 00	
Balance from 1922	166 93	
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Total fund		\$566 93
Paid for poor in Sumner	\$282 00	
Paid for poor in Rangeley	31 00	
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Total cost		\$313 00
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Unexpended balance		\$253 93

MAINTENANCE STATE ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriated	\$500 00	
Balance from 1922	31 17	
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Total fund		\$531 17
Paid to State	\$483 60	
F. M. Chandler, gravel	10 00	
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Total cost		\$493 60
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Unexpended balance		\$37 57

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Balance from 1922	\$42 00	
Paid J. F. Redding	4 00	
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Unexpended balance		\$38 00

ROAD COMMISSIONERS' EXPENSES

Time books and order books	\$5 00
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TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE ACCOUNT

Paid for services	\$ 7 00	
Reporting vital statistics	12 75	
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Total cost		\$19 75

ANNUAL MEETING EXPENSES

Moderator	\$3 00
Use of hall	2 00
Typewriting warrants	1 00
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Total cost	\$6 00

SPECIAL ELECTION EXPENSES

Use of vestry	\$1 50
Typewriting voting lists	2 00
Ballot clerks	4 00
Ex. and postage on ballots	67
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Total costs	\$8 17

MEMORIAL ACCOUNT

Appropriated	\$50 00
Paid L. B. Heald	50 00

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE ACCOUNT

Paid H. W. Bonney, salary	\$200 00
V. C. Keene, salary	125 00
H. C. Thomas, salary	100 00
Cash expenses	14 25
Books, blanks and supplies	38 10
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Total cost	\$477 35

TREASURER'S OFFICE ACCOUNT

Paid C. M. Stephens, salary	\$100 00
Cash expenses	5 00
Blank checks and supplies	17 08
Treas. Min. and Min. Fund	5 00
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Total cost	\$127 08

TRUANT OFFICER'S ACCOUNT

Paid E. E. Cole, services	\$13 50
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SCHOOL BOARD ACCOUNT

Roger Eastman	\$10 00
Nellie Barrett	10 00
H. C. Thomas	16 50

 \$36 50

SUPT. OF SCHOOLS ACCT.

Paid E. C. Vining, salary	\$245 01
Office expense	4 13

Total	\$249 14
Appropriated	\$250 00
Overdrawn, 1922	22 23

 227 77

Overdrawn, 1923	\$21 37
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ACCT.

Paid H. W. Bonney, services	\$6 50
Paid H. W. Bonney, supplies	1 80

Total cost	\$8 30
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FIRE WARDEN ACCOUNT

Paid H. W. Bonney	
attending and reporting fires	\$10 00

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Paid teachers	\$3,045 00
For conveyance	1,190 50
Janitors	48 05
Fuel	134 85
School books	96 46
Tuition, common school	158 87
Tuition, high school	1,248 82
For Repairs	797 29

Total cost	\$6,719 84
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CONSTABLE ACCOUNT

For services \$5 00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES ACCOUNT, 1923

Paid salary	\$100 00
For books and blanks	2 90
Cost on tax deeds, 1922	13 68
Cost on tax deeds, 1923	10 18
For tax deeds, 1923	294 40
Abatements for 1922-23	143 68

COLLECTOR OF TAXES ACCOUNT, 1921

Paid Balance due on salary	\$25 00
Abatements for 1921	28 95

LIST OF ABATEMENTS, 1921

J. S. Billings, out of state	\$3 00
Henry Blanchard, out of state	3 00
Henry Coolidge, dead	3 80
S. I. Wheeler, paid in Paris	19 15

\$28 95

LIST OF ABATEMENTS, 1922

Ella G. Dunn, not able to pay	\$16 15
E. C. Mason, error	95
W. W. Mason, error	70
John Hargis, out of state	3 00
L. A. Burham, paid in Bethel	3 00

\$23 80

LIST OF ABATEMENTS, 1923

B. H. Bisbee, error	\$ 8 05
F. E. Whitman, error	22 08
August Viitala, loss by fire	27 60
Jack Rosenburg, sickness	20 00
Ella G. Dunn, not able to pay	19 55
Henry Greenwood, out of state	3 00
Edward Hiltonen, out of state	7 60
John Johnson, out of state	3 00

Emil Kaugos, out of state	3 00
H. C. Bonney, paid in Paris	3 00
L. A. Burham, paid in Bethel	3 00

\$119 88

TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

Invested Trust Funds

Lydia Keene	\$100 00
Olive Heald	100 00
Louise Gurney	200 00
Rebecca Russell	100 00
Hezekiah Stetson	100 00

\$600 00

Trust Funds in town treasury

Rev. Allen and Sarah Barrows	\$100 00
Lucy Perkis	100 00
Lydia Varney	100 00

\$300 00

Interest on Trust Funds

Paid, Sumner Hill Cemet. asso.	\$4 25
Elmwood Cemetery Asso.	12 75
Black Mt. Cemetery Asso.	4 25
Sumnerfield Cemetery Asso.	8 50
W. H. Eastman	4 25
Sharon Robinson	4 25

\$38 25

Total Int. Paid

\$38 25

UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS

Pinewood Print Shop, printing	\$82 00
C. A. Barrows, watering tub	5 00
E. S. Tuell, watering tub	5 00
F. W. Morse, reporting vital statistics	75

\$92 75

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES

1919	John Gerish		\$7 10
1920	C. M. Mason	\$9 25	
	E. C. Mason	3 00	
	H. E. Martin	17 80	
	O. M. Jones	27 79	
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1922	J. B. Libby		\$34 73
1923	S. F. Brown	\$30 60	
	P. L. Charles	59 80	
	J. B. Libby	60 50	
	Ekki Pulknim	12 20	
	Asa Robinson	2 79	
	J. L. Suckles	27 94	
	Ed. Slatery	13 10	
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STANDING OF THE TOWN

Resources

Cash in Treas.	\$450 56	
Tax deed, Minnie F. Sewall, 1918	61 42	
C. G. Morton, 1920	7 89	
H. A. Carver, 1917	4 99	
C. M. Bucknam, 1922	11 49	
J. B. Libby, 1922	81 47	
John Pulknim, 1922	27 92	
S. F. Brown, 1923	135 07	
J. B. Libby, 1923	98 27	
F. C. Wing, 1923	36 17	
John Pulknim, 1923	35 07	
Interest due on tax deeds	48 14	
Due from State Highway Dept.	685 62	
Due from State for Pensions	54 00	
Coll., 1919	7 10	
Coll., 1920	57 84	
Coll., 1922	34 73	
Coll., 1923	206 93	
Town property	900 00	
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Total resources		\$2944 68

Liabilities

Trust funds	\$300 00	
Note of O. L. Newell	200 00	
Note of Rumford Nat. Bank	2,000 00	
Due H. L. Bisbee, coll, 1920	25 00	
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Total liabilities		\$2,525 00
Bal. in favor of town		\$419 68

Respectfully submitted,
H. W. BONNEY,
V. C. KEENE,
H. C. THOMAS,

Selectmen of Summer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand	\$1,501 32
Cash from Hartford tuition	64 80
Tax Deed	86 30
J. F. Blanchard, Viitala acct.	52 50
G. A. Chandler, dog tax	163 00
Town Paris, tuition returned	10 00
State Treas. H'way Dept.	1,228 16
Tax on Bk. Stk.	3 06
H'way Dept.	50 00
Viitala acct.	141 26
Pensions	54 00
School Fund	2,052 00
R. R. Tax	23 86
Imp. S. Rds.	169 60
O. L. Varney, Lydia Varney	
Trust Fund	100 00
Interest on bonds	25 50
O. L. Newell Loan	200 00
Bank Loan	3,500 00
W. E. Lothrop, Coll.	17,643 25
Tax Collector, 1922	126 11
Tax Collector, 1921	37 95
Tax Collector, 1920	66 78
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	\$27,299 45

Cr.

Paid State Treas. Tax	\$2,779 17
Patrol Road	483 60
Dog tax	163 00
Ada Murch pension	54 00
Geo. M. Atwood, treas. county t.	781 47

L. H. Bisbee, interest	12 00	
Interest Bank Loan	242 99	
Selectmen's Orders	18,582 91	
L. H. Bisbee, loan and int.	205 75	
Bank loan and interest	3,544 00	
Cash on hand	450 56	
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		\$27,299 45

Respectfully submitted,

CARL M. STEPHENS, Treas.

SCHEDULE OF MINISTERIAL AND
SCHOOL FUNDS

Minister and Ministerial Fund

Mechanics Savings Bank	\$ 4 00	
Liberty Bonds	1,600 00	
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Telephone Stock	250 00	
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		\$1,854 00

School Fund

Mechanics Savings Bank	\$175 00
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Minister and Ministerial Fund

Carl M. Stephens, Treasurer, in account with the Town
of Sumner.

Dr.

Interest and exchange	\$126 95
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Cr.

Paid Universalist Society	\$60 29
Congregationalist	33 76
1st Baptist	12 65
2nd Baptist	12 21
Advent	5 17
Free Baptist	2 87
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\$126 95

Respectfully submitted ,

CARL M. STEPHENS, Treas.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the school board and citizens of Sumner:

I herewith submit my second annual report of the schools of your town for the municipal school year ending Feb. 8, 1924.

As usual we have maintained six schools this current year. Although we have had to make some changes in the personnel of our teaching staff from that of last year yet with one exception all our teachers are residents of the town. I wish to call attention to this unusual state of school affairs. As far as my personal knowledge goes in no other town of Maine are the teachers, year by year, so largely drawn from the list of permanent residents. The advantages of this situation are many: The town, at all times, is assured of an ample supply of teachers. The teachers are personally acquainted with the children and their parents. They thoroughly understand local conditions without a knowledge of which the efforts of the best teacher may end in failure. They have a larger sense of personal responsibility and they work harder to gain the approval of those who are their neighbors and intimate friends. I consider the town fortunate in having so many good teachers permanently within its reach.

Four of our teachers have had a long and successful teaching experience and two are doing their first work. All are working hard to achieve results and they are meeting with a commendable amount of success.

In three of our schools there are eight grades and the teachers have but little time to give individual instruction outside their daily recitation work. Such teachers are overworked and they cannot give the amount of supervision to the studies of their pupils that they really need. The work accomplished is not what it would be with the same children and the same teachers in a school of fewer grades. Under present conditions there is no way to remove this difficulty, without a large expenditure of money that the town can not afford.

This year the board of education began the work of making substantial repairs on the school buildings. At East Sumner the toilets were changed to meet the requirements of the state and a new floor was laid. Other repairs of a minor nature were made. This building is now in excellent condition. The school room is attractive, comfortable and commodious. At the Morrill school building the toilets were changed but that building needs a thorough, general repairing. Paint and paper would add much to its attractiveness and I hope that this can be done next year. The completion of the repairs at this building and a remodeling of the building at West Sumner ought to be attempted next year. It was the purpose of the board of education this year to rebuild the foundation of the Sumner Hill building and do some other repairs there; but this work comes at a season of the year when there is so much other work to be done that it is almost impossible to secure help of any kind, and as a result work that is essential and even imperative has to be postponed to some uncertain date.

The following table of attendance statistics is taken from the registers and monthly reports of the teachers.

Registration, spring term, 1923,	102
Average attendance, spring term, 1923,	82 6
Percentage attendance, spring term, 1923,	81
Registration fall term, 1923,	102
Average attendance, fall term, 1923,	90 25
Percentage attendance, fall term, 1923,	88 5

Grouping these statistics by schools we obtain the following table for the fall term:

School	Average Att.	Registr.	Percent Att.
East Sumner	22 05	23	95 87
Morrill	24 4	29	84 14
Sumner Hill	7 61	9	84 56
West Sumner	17	19	89 47
P. Pond	12 8	15	85 33
Redding	6 4	7	91 42

At the Morrill school the four Curtis children were present less than four weeks when that family moved to some other locality. They attended long enough to compel their registration in that school. Such cases of partial term attendance cuts down the average attendance of even a large school more than one would think. Outside this one family the attendance at the Morrill school for the fall term has been very good. A comparison of this year's attendance table with that of last year will show that the attendance law has been enforced more strickly this year. It is the purpose of the board of education that every child who is able shall attend school. Nothing but a perfectly valid reason can keep a child from attending school. No town in this community of its size expends more money for the support of its schools than this town. It expends more money for conveying pupils than all the other three towns of th's union. There is absolutely no excuse save sickness or permanent disability that should keep a child in th's town from school.

The town of Sumner has eighteen students attending approved secondary schools in various towns: seven at Buckfield High, two at Canton High, two at Mechanic Falls High, three at Edward Little High, two at West Paris High, and two at Pine Tree Academy, Auburn, Me. This is a remarkably good showing for a town where no local high school is maintained. It requires considerable ambition and push of a young student of high school entering age to leave parents and home and to attend school in a strange town. It requires considerable effort and sacrifice on the part of every boy and girl who attends school under such circumstances and this is the kind of education that counts. It is not surprising to find that these students rank high in their studies for they are good workers and they appreciate the efforts that are being make to promote their educational welfare.

The financial statement with which this report closes shows an overdraft of \$160.37 in Common Schools Account this year. We have tried to economize in some departments this year but school affairs are the most difficult of town busi-

ness to economize in. If a piece of road needs fixing you can patch it up with very little expense and pass it over till another year. But in school business this cannot be done. Every September the doors of our school buildings must swing wide open to receive groups of school children flocking from every nook and corner of the town. There is no half way business here, no patching can be done. The school must function with every resource at our command. It is a poor policy to practice economy in the education of our children, but even here I think money can be wasted.

We are faced with a peculiar situation in the matter of conveying children to and from school. Last year practically one-third of all the money at our disposal for the support of Common Schools was expended for transportation of pupils. While this year the showing is not quite so bad the difference is not so great as to warrant any considerable feeling of relief. If citizens could realize that no small measure of responsibility rests upon them in getting their children to school this now perplexing situation would be solved.

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Resources.

Raised by town,	\$2,700 00
Received from state,	1,652 10
Hartford (tuition)	64 80
Overdraft, 1923-24,	404 45
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Total,	\$4,821 35

Expenditures.

Teachers' wages & board,	\$3,045 00
Conveyance,	1,190 50
Fuel,	134 85
Tuition (Buckfield)	81 62
Tuition (Hartford)	77 25
Janitors,	48 05
Overdraft, 1922-23,	244 08
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Total,	\$4,821 35

Spring term:

School	Teacher	Len. of term	Wk. wage	Amount
East Sumner	Mrs. Roger Eastman	10	\$17 00	\$170 00
Morrill	Stanley Pike	11	17 00	187 00
Sumner Hill	Horace Cobb	11	14 00	154 00
W. Sumner	Gladys Adams	15	17 00	255 00
P. Pond	Alice Shaw	6½	17 00	110 50
	Erla Pike	3½	17 00	59 50
Redding	Annie Chandler	10	13 00	130 00

Total paid for spring term, \$1,066 00

Fall term:

School	Teacher	Len. of term	Wk. wage	Amount
East Sumner	Jennette Dalmer	12	\$23 00	\$276 00
Morrill	Edith Newell	12	17 00	204 00
S. Hill	Edna Thomas	12	14 00	168 00
W. Sumner	Gladys Adams	12	17 00	204 00
P. Pond	Sadie Redding	12	14 00	168 00
Redding	Annie Chandler	12	14 00	168 00

Total paid for fall term, \$1,188 00

Winter term:

School	Teacher	Len. of term	Wk. wage	Amount
East Sumner	Jennette Dalmer	7	\$23 00	\$161 00
Morrill	Edith Newell	7	17 00	119 00
S. Hill	Edna Thomas	8	14 00	112 00
W. Sumner	Gladys Adams	8	17 00	136 00
P. Pond	Sadie Redding	8	14 00	112 00
Redding	Luella Andrews	8	14 00	112 00

Total paid on winter term, \$752 00

Paid Annie Chandler three weeks' wages for
winter term, 1923,

\$39 00

Total wages paid teachers,

\$3,045 00

CONVEYANCE ACCOUNT

Lula E. Garey,	\$126 00	
C. H. Stevens,	180 00	
E. C. Allen,	220 00	
Mrs. E. P. Bartlett,	137 50	
Mrs. Will'e Andrews,	71 50	
E. A. Ryerson,	77 50	
Guy B. Heath,	200 00	
E. F. Benson,	93 00	
Geo. Spaulding,	52 00	
Vernon Redding,	18 00	
Kenneth Pulsifer,	15 00	
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Total,		\$1,190 50

FUEL ACCOUNT

Willard Hadley,	\$ 25	
E. S. Barrett,	49 50	
E. E. Newell,	24 00	
Lovell McChandler,	6 00	
Vernal Chandler,	2 00	
Walter B. Newell,	1 00	
David Adams,	3 00	
Arlan B. Farrar,	2 50	
James Boyle,	1 25	
C. L. Hammond,	22 50	
Redding Bros.,	18 00	
E. S. Benson,	1 00	
George Andrews,	50	
Reginald Ford,	3 35	
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Total,		\$134 85

JANITOR ACCOUNT

Columbia Davenport,	1 00	
Mary Bisbee,	1 00	
Kenneth Cole,	8 05	
Kenneth Pulsifer,	1 75	

Gladys Adams,	2 00	
Ruby Chandler,	2 50	
Vernal Chandler,	3 30	
Earl Bonney,	2 00	
Horace Cobb,	2 00	
Laura Parlin,	2 00	
Charles Farrar,	1 00	
Chester Decoster,	2 00	
Louise D. Keene,	3 00	
Raymond Charles,	3 75	
Willard Hadley,	2 00	
Olivi McKeen,	1 50	
Sadie Redding,	2 00	
Gretchen Robbins,	4 00	
George Andrews,	2 40	
Dorothy Jewell,	80	
Total,		\$ 48 05
Tuition (Buckfield)		81 62
Tuition (Hartford)		77 25
Overdraft, 1922-23,		244 08
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Total,		\$4,821 35

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION ACCOUNT

Raised by town,	\$700 00	
Received from state,	400 00	
Unexpended 1922-23,	169 25	
Rebate from Paris,	10 00	
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Total,		\$1,279 25

EXPENDITURES

Paris,	\$110 00
Canton,	150 50
Auburn,	240 00
Hebron Academy,	75 00
Buckfield,	353 32
Rumford,	100 00

Pine Tree Academy,	180 00
Mechanic Falls,	40 00
Unexpended,	30 43

Total,	\$1,279 25
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TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT

Raised by town,	\$100 00
Overdraft, 1923-24,	29 71

Total,	\$129 71
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EXPENDITURES

Overdraft, 1922-23,	\$33 25
Chas. E. Merrill Co.,	13 53
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	23 62
Ginn & Co.,	42 32
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.,	7 34
Houghton-Mifflin Co.,	3 34
Milton Bradley Co.,	2 50
World Book Co.,	3 81

Total,	\$129 71
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REPAIRS ACCOUNT

Raised by town,	\$700 00
Unexpended, 1922-23,	150 58

Total,	\$850 58
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EXPENDITURES.

Lovell McChandler,	\$ 3 00
Mrs. H. E. Pulsifer,	5 00
Mrs. Emery Ryerson,	4 00
A. S. Barrows,	17 00
J. H. Stevens,	65 61
P. A. Tucker,	6 00
Chalmers Lumber Co.,	320 42
C. S. Thurlow,	26 70
Blanche Bradeen,	5 00

Will Crockett,	5 00
P. V. Redding,	4 90
M. C. R. R. Co.,	11 60
Will Bryant,	154 55
C. A. Bonney,	7 00
J. G. Estes,	14 00
M. M. Rowe,	18 00
G. H. Rowe,	12 00
Millie A. Rowe,	7 00
Alice Redding,	5 00
Florence Abbott,	5 00
L. L. Burnham,	4 00
M. L. Ellingwood,	35 06
J. H. Heald,	2 00
James Boyle,	1 95
J. F. Redding,	22 50
W. L. Dyer,	10 50
Ernest Jordan,	10 50
Virgil Rowe,	3 00
Violet Cole,	4 00
Mrs. Emery Ryerson,	2 00
C. E. Hadley,	5 00
Unexpended, 1923-24,	53 29

Total,	\$850 58
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SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

Raised by town,	\$250 00
Overdraft, 1923-24,	17 24

Total,	\$267 24
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EXPENDITURES

Overdraft, 1922-23,	\$ 22 23
Elmer C. Vining,	245 01

Total,	\$267 24
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EXPENDITURES

OFFICE EXPENCE ACCOUNT

Elmer C. Vining,

\$4 13

The following oppropriations are recommended for support of schools next year:

Common Schools,	\$2700 00
High Schools Tuition,	800 00
Text Books,	100 00
Repairs,	850 00
Superintendence,	245 00

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER C. VINING, Supt. Schools.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MARRIAGES

1922

Buckfield, July 17, by Rev. Frank P. Dresser, Carl Everett Bonney and Helen Vivian Reed, both of Sumner.

South Paris, Oct. 13, by Rev. Chester G. Miller, Frank J. Monahan of Somerville, Mass. and Bertha M. Duffy of Sumner.

Auburn, Oct. 27, by Rev. Roderick J. Mooney, Harold M. Turner of Buckfield and Evelyn A. Buck of Sumner.

East Sumner, Nov. 17, by W. H. Eastman, Notary Public, Edward A. Baker of Sumner and Hazel L. Proctor of Hartford.

East Sumner, Oct. 31, by W. H. Eastman, Notary Public, Henry Paradis and Almeda J. Johnson, both of Hebron.

West Sumner, Aug. 12, by George A. Chandler, Justice of the Peace, Isaac J. Child and Florence Rowe, both of Buckfield.

West Sumner, Nov. 17, by George A. Chandler, Justice of the Peace, Henry O. Swan, of Greenwood and Lillian F. Stimons, of Sumner.

Goram, N. H., Dec. 1, by Rev. Percy S. Ridlon. Israel F. Gammon, of Sumner and Doris L. Beck, of Paris.

South Paris, Dec. 5, by Rev. Chester G. Miller, Elden G. Garey and Annie E. Chandler, both of Sumner.

Rumford, Dec. 15, by Rev. Philip J. Boivin, Lovell W. Chandler, of Sumner and Margaret P. Jacques, of Old Orchard.

BIRTHS

July 22, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy W. Briggs, a son, Harold Weston
Feb. 20, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Adams, a son,
Charles Brady.

Feb. 20, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. James Packard, a son, James.

Feb. 28, 1923, to Amy G. Garey, a son, Ivan Francis.

Oct. 24, 1922, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry McKeen, a son, Reino.

- April 25, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Olpha Varney, a daughter,
Hattie Louise.
- April 1, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Alton C. Hadley, a daughter,
Avis Althea.
- Feb. 10, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Stevens, a son,
Harley T.
- Feb. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney F. Brown, a son,
John H.
- June 18, 1922, to Mr. and Mrs. Owen H. Bonney, in Lewiston,
July 9 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Allen, a daughter,
Beryl Elizabeth.
- July 27, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Weikke Jaorone, (Lewiston)
a daughter, Elva Sandma.
- Aug. 21, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie G. Curtis, a son,
(stillborn).
- Sept. 3, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Gladys Benson, a son, (stillb.)
a son, Merton Wilfred.
- Sept. 21, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Heath, a daughter,
Esther E.
- Sept. 25, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Horace Crockett, a son,
Burleigh Stetson.
- Sept. 22, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm A. Crockett, a son,
Harold Richmond.
- Aug. 31, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Jaakko Rosenberg, a son,
Jakko.
- Sept. 11, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Thomas, a daughter,
Frieda Luther.
- Oct. 20, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Morrill, a daughter,
Margaret Belle.
- Feb. 2, 1924, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold M. Turner, a daughter,

DEATHS

1923,

Feb. 16, Ora M. Morrill, age 60 years, 9 months, 6 days.

Feb. 23, Clara J. Stetson, age 77 years.

1922

Oct. 9, Adrian S. Lucas, age 71 years, 11 months, 22 days.

1923

Apr. 22, Martha E. Libby, 79 years, 9 months, 21 days.
 May 10, Avis A. Hadley, age 1 month, 9 days.
 July 11, Edwin W. Chandler, age 74 years, 1. mo 10 days.
 July 11, Flora M. Dunn, age 52 years, 7 months, 28 days.
 Aug. 4, Kathryn J. Adams, age 2 years, 7 months, 9 days.
 Aug. 21, Edward Cox, age 76 years, 8 months, 28 days.
 Nov. 12, William H. Bonney, age 53 yrs. 4 mos. 27 ds.
 Dec. 3, Leslie E. Newell, age 62 years, 4 months.
 Nov. 18, James Packard, Jr. age 8 months, 30 days.

1924

Jan. 28, Lietta Barrows, age 65 years, 8 months, 18 days.
 Jan. 29, Cynthia Bonney, age 94 years, 0 month, 25 days.

Deaths reported from other towns

1922

Dec. 19, Greenwood, Lydia C. Varney, age 91 years, 4 months, 2 days.

1923

April 17, Lewiston, Susie E. Garey, age 48 years, 3 months, 4 days.

Oct. 21, Lewiston, Llewellyn R. Heald, age 80 years, 11 months, 26 days.

May 3, Mechanic Falls, Wm. D. Tucker, age 66 years, 3 months, 29 days.

July 11, Rumford, Lorenzo P. Merrill, age, 56 years, 0 month, 7 days.

Aug. 30, Rangeley, Adoniram Asa Robinson, age 9 years, 11 months, 25 days.

GEORGE A. CHANDLER,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

To Warren E. Lothrop, a constable in the town of Sumner, in the county of Oxford. Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Sumner qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Universalist Vestry at West Sumner on Monday, the third day of March, A. D. 1924 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon there to act on the following articles—to wit.

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the municipal officers for the year ending February 10, 1924.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to elect more than one road commissioner and if so how many.

Art. 4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see if the town will grant and raise a sum of money for the purpose of paying for breaking snow for the winter of 1923-24 and how much.

Art. 6. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools, support of poor, repairs of school houses, purchase of school books, tuition of high school pupils, repairs of roads and bridges and to defray all other town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize the school committee to continue schools where an average attendance of eight scholars have not been maintained the past year.

Art. 8. To see whether the town will vote yes or no on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to state aid as provided in Sec. 19 of Chapter 25 of the laws of 1916.

Art. 9. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$533.00 for the improvement of the section of state aid road as outlined in the report of the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for roads and bridges, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the Provisions of Sec. 18 of Chapt. 25 of the Laws of 1916.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise money and what sum for the maintenance of the state aid highways within the limits of the town during the ensuing year under the provisions of sec. 26 of chapt. 25 of the public laws of 1916.

Art. 11. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to hire money if necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the salary of the supt. of schools.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for memorial services.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise, to create a Mother's Aid fund for the aid and assistance of widows who have children under 16 years of age.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars provided the town of Hartford will raise a like amount for the purpose of hiring a caretaker for the season of 1924 for the cemeteries of the two towns.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to accept \$200.00 as a trust from the estate of Clara Y. Stetson, the interest to be expended on her lot in West Sumner Cemetery.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money, if any, the

town will vote to raise to be expended on the road in West Sumner Village.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise to be expended on Bog Brook fill.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise for cutting bushes.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to paint their portion of the 5 line bridges between Sumner and Hartford, if Hartford will do the same, and raise money for that purpose.

Art. 21. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen will be in session at nine o'clock in the forenoon at the Universalist Vestry at West Sumner for the purpose of revising the voting list.

Given under our hands at Sumner this eleventh day of February, A. D., 1924.

H. W. BONNEY,

V. C. KEENE,

H. C. THOMAS,

Selectmen of Sumner.

